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Microsoft's predatory actions aside, additional focus needs to be on how its monopoly can stifle communication. If the dominant format for document communication is a Microsoft Word document, then so be it. The more important issue is Microsoft's control of the format. I believe all public communications formats should be open. Microsoft should be forced to open their formats to the world so that other companies or groups can write software to interact with those formats. It is an unfair use of their market dominance to allow them to stifle communications to their own advantage.

Microsoft needs more than just a pat on the hand.

Sincerely,  
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